

**“ROAMING” METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR USE IN EMULATING
A USER’S “HOME” TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENVIRONMENT**

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 The concept of “roaming” is extended to wireline networks with a network
hosted technique which emulates a wireline telecommunications network user’s
environment when the user is using a wireline telecommunications device located at a
physical location other than his or her “home” location, or when using a wireline or
wireless telecommunications device other than his or her own regardless of the
10 location. Any telephone or other telecommunications device being used by the user
advantageously appears to be logically connected directly to his or her home
telecommunications network, irrespective of the location of the telephone or other
telecommunications device being used and the telecommunications network to which
that device is actually connected.